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Bradley waives preliminary hearing; prosecution moves forward
Biden highlights victim services at Lewes office

Georgetown, DE – Lewes Pediatrician Earl Bradley, charged with 32 felony counts in connection with allegations of child sexual abuse, waived his right to a preliminary hearing scheduled to take place this morning in Sussex County Court of Common Pleas. The case now moves to Superior Court. Bradley remains held on \$2.9 million cash bond.

“We continue to do everything necessary to pursue this case to the fullest extent of the law,” Attorney General Biden stated. “This investigation, led by the Delaware Department of Justice, Delaware Child Predator Task Force, and Delaware State Police, is ongoing and we continue to review all of the evidence in this case as quickly as possible.”

Biden emphasized that the Delaware Department of Justice office in Lewes, which opened January 1, is fully staffed. That facility, at 105 W 4th Street, is being used to store and review records in this case and to house staff assigned to the investigation. All of Doctor Bradley’s patient records have been moved to this secure facility so that a team of prosecutors and investigators can review them. These files remain accessible to parents or caregivers of current and former patients. Parents or caregivers should call the Delaware Department of Justice Lewes office at **(302) 645-4010** to request a copy of their child’s pediatric file. Parents and caretakers can also visit this office to share information about the investigation and to obtain counseling referrals and other victim resources.

The Delaware Department of Justice, Delaware State Police, and other agencies continue to coordinate specialized services for victims and their families. Concerned parents and caretakers are urged to contact the Delaware State Police 24-hour Victim Services Hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461) or send an e-mail to a specially-arranged Delaware State Police address - victim1@state.de.us. Callers will speak with a live individual qualified to provide important information and make counseling referrals. They may also be directed to financial assistance provided for counseling and other services through state programs, including the Delaware Victims’ Compensation Assistance Program.

Individuals that have information to provide in this case, including suspicious activity, are urged to call Delaware State Police detectives at (302) 856-5850, ext. 216. Parents of patients or former patients of Dr. Bradley, regardless of the age or gender of the child, are asked to come forward.

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